

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of Richard Allan Roth, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau; Joseph Huggins, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana; and Robin Renee Sanders, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Congo, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Maura Ann Harty, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs; Kim R. Holmes, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs; Francis X. Taylor, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security, and Director for the Office of Foreign Missions, with the rank of Ambassador; and Ellen R. Sauerbrey, of

Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the United States Representative on the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Holmes and Ms. Sauerbrey were introduced by Senator Allen.

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Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nomination of Bruce R. James, of Nevada, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Ensign, testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nomination from Benjamin Y. Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Joan F. Cheverie, Georgetown University, on behalf of the American Library Association and the Special Libraries Association, and Robert S. Willard, National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 5542–5554; 1 private bill, H.R. 5555; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 498–499, and H. Res. 570–573, were introduced. **Page H7018**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 282, to authorize the Pyramid of Remembrance Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to soldiers who have lost their lives during peacekeeping operations, humanitarian efforts, training, terrorist attacks, or covert operations, amended (H. Rept. 107–719); and

H.R. 5400, to authorize the President of the United States to agree to certain amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States concerning the establishment of a Border Environment Cooperation Commission and a North American Development Bank, amended (H. Rept. 107–720). **Page H7018**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Robert G. Hobson of Sun City, Arizona. **Page H6985**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, Oct. 2 by a yea-and-nay vote of 327 yeas to 53 nays, Roll No. 437. **Page H6986**

Making Further Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 112, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, by a yea-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 439. **Pages H6986–H7001**

Agreed to H. Res. 568, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 438. **Pages H6992–93**

Representative Farr Question of Privilege: The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representatives Farr did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 440. **Pages H7001–02**

Representative Carson of Indiana Question of Privilege: The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representatives Carson of Indiana did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of

the Chair by a recorded vote of 203 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 441.

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Intelligence Authorization—Go to Conference:

The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4628, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: From the permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Goss and Representatives Be-reuter, Castle, Boehlert, Gibbons, LaHood, Cunningham, Hoekstra, Burr of North Carolina, Chambliss, Everett, Pelosi, Bishop, Harman, Condit, Roemer, Reyes, Boswell, Peterson of Minnesota, and Cramer. And, from the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of defense tactical intelligence and related activities: Chairman Stump and Representatives Hunter and Skelton.

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Late Report—Intelligence Authorization Conference Report: The Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence received permission to have until midnight on Monday, Oct. 7, 2002, to file a conference report on H.R. 4628, Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 2003.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, Oct. 7: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 7 for Morning-Hour Debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, Oct. 9.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through October 8, 2002.

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Committee to Attend the Funeral of the Honorable Patsy T. Mink of Hawaii: Pursuant to H. Res. 566, expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Patsy T. Mink, a Representative from Hawaii, the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the Committee to attend her funeral: Representatives Abercrombie, Gephardt, Pelosi, Obey, George Miller of California, Sensenbrenner, Faleomavaega, DeLauro, Waters, Clatyon, Eshoo, Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mica, Scott, Underwood, Woolsey, Jackson-Lee of Texas, Lofgren, Millender-McDonald, Lee, Kind, Wu, and Watson.

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Securing America's Future Energy Act: The Chair announced that in the appointment of the managers on the part of the House in the conference on H.R. 4, to enhance energy conservation, research and development and to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, that Representative Cubin is appointed, in addition to the appointment from the Committee on Resources, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on page H6985.

Referrals: S. 1226 was referred to the Committee on Resources, S. 2980 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and S. 1972 and S. Con. Res. 143 were held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6986, H6992–93, H7000–01, H7002 and H7003–04. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on "The Rising Price of a Quality Postsecondary Education: Fact or Fiction." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REFORMING REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURE

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Reforming the Real Estate Settlement Procedure: Review of HUD's proposed RESPA Rule." Testimony was heard from Mel Martinez, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

AMERICANS KIDNAPPED TO SAUDI ARABIA

Committee on Government Reform: Continued hearings on "Americans Kidnapped to Saudi Arabia: Is the Saudi Government Responsible?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ryan Crocker, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs; and Dianne Andruch, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs; Raymond Mabus, former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia; and public witnesses.

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Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources